

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: :
LAKES et al : Patent Art Unit: 1111
Serial No.: ~~08/442,611~~ ^{896,060} : Examiner: M. Medley
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For: BIODEGRADABLE TWO-CYCLE :
ENGINE OIL COMPOSITIONS :
AND ESTER BASE STOCKS :
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'PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT'

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 11-12, 14-16, 20, and 30-31 as follows:

11. (Amended) An ester base stock for a two-cycle engine
oil composition, consisting essentially of from about 35% to
about 70% of trimethylolpropane triisostearate and from about 30%
to about 65% of an ester formed by the reaction of
trimethylolpropane and a mixture of C₅-C₉ saturated
monocarboxylic acids, based on the weight of said ester base
stock.

12. (Amended) An ester base stock as claimed in claim 11,
consisting essentially of about 55% trimethylolpropane
triisostearate and about 45% of an ester formed by the reaction